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To Alison, Rachel, Gavin, Laura, Gareth and Chloe

Preface

This is a book with a message. It argues the case for viewing demographic patterns, structures and systems from a spatial perspective. For by so doing new insights will be gained on the complex forms of human populations and more effective methods will be advanced to monitor and forecast – even change – the growth and distribution of future populations. Spatial demography is not seen as an end in itself or as an alternative to population geography; rather it represents an aspect of population studies in which recent developments have been considerable and new advances promise to be spectacular in this and the next century.

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